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MEMORANDUM FOR THE HONORABLE WILLIAM J. CASEY
DIRECTOR
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

FROM: FRED F. FIELDING
COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Section 205 Exemption From Public Availability
of Financial Disclosure Reports of CIA Employees

Attached for your records please find a copy of a letter signed by the President to J. Jackson Walter, Director, Office of Government Ethics, extending the exemption of financial disclosure reports filed by certain employees of your department from public disclosure.

Thank you for your assistance in the preparation of this letter. Please let me know if you or your staff have any questions concerning it.

NSC review completed.

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June 16, 1982

Dear Director Walter:

On April 14, 1980, my predecessor provided you with a letter exempting financial disclosure reports filed by certain employees of the Central Intelligence Agency from public disclosure. Since taking office, my staff has carefully reviewed the findings made by President Carter in that letter. I find the need for such exemption still exists.

Therefore, in accordance with Section 205(a) of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, I find that public disclosure of the financial reports of individuals meeting the criteria set forth below, would, by revealing their identities or other sensitive information, compromise the national interest of the United States.

This finding includes personnel in the following classes or categories:

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This finding encompasses the reports submitted by any current employee, former employee, and any individual detailed or assigned for duty with the Central Intelligence Agency who falls within these categories.

In addition, I find it in the national interest to authorize the filing of such additional reports as are necessary to protect the identities of CIA personnel required to file reports under the Act. Such additional reports will be prepared in accordance with procedures established by the CIA official designated to administer the Act.

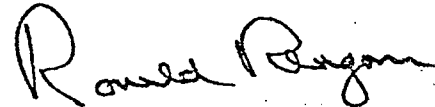
This decision does not relieve any CIA official of an obligation to file a complete financial report with the designated agency official for review and adjudication in accordance with the provisions of the Act. In addition, the reports of the Director of Central Intelligence, the Deputy Director of Central Intelligence, and the agency official designated to administer the Act will continue to be made available by the CIA for public inspection notwithstanding the applicability of the enumerated categories to these individuals.

By copy of this letter, I am advising the Director of Central Intelligence that exemptions are dependent upon the granting of required security clearances to specially designated representatives of the Office of Government Ethics to audit CIA practices with respect to the review and processing of financial statements and related matters required by the Ethics in Government Act.

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The Counsel to the President will continue to review the positions for which exemptions have been granted. You will be advised if any changes in the coverage of such exemptions is deemed necessary.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Ronald Reagan". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "R" at the beginning.

The Honorable J. Jackson Walter
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Office of Personnel Management
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